2021 LPPC Legislative Package Recommendations to the Council

March 23, 2021



Reminders and Overview of Process

- SCDD cannot work on policy issues that are not directly related to SCDD's approved State Plan.
- In addition to the State Plan, SCDD has a Council approved legislative platform, that serves as the foundation for all policy activities and policy priorities, that are based on emerging issues and input received from various SCDD Committees. These are then taken to the Council and voted on.
- The Council approved its current policy priorities in December of 2020.
- At times, the Chair of the Council and Legislative and Public Policy Committee (LPPC) Chair may use their delegated authority to take positions when timing necessitates an immediate decision.

March 9th LPPC Meeting Overview

LPPC met on March 9th to, among other things, review and make recommendations on 13 legislative bills. As previously stated, members used the State Plan, Council approved Legislative Platform and Policy Priorities to guide the discussion and subsequent recommendations. The next step is for LPPC to present their recommendations to the Council for consideration on March 23rd.

Author: Muratsuchi (D)

State Plan Goal: Community Supports

Summary: Communications: Broadband for All Act of 2022. Would place a \$10 billion general obligation bond measure on the ballot in November 2022 to provide funding for, among other things, prioritize providing access to high-speed internet service to unserved and underserved communities in rural communities as well as in low-income urban and suburban areas.

Author: Bradford (D)

State Plan Goal: Community Supports

Summary: Allows a voter to identify themselves as having a disability for the purpose of voting by mail in a California election.

Author: Carillo (D)

State Plan Goal: Community Supports

Summary: Provides compensation to people who were involuntarily sterilized under California's previous eugenics law and in women's state prisons after 1979, by creating the Forced Sterilization Compensation Program.

Author: Gray (D)

State Plan Goal: Public Safety

Summary: This bill allows an applicant for a CA ID card or a Driver's License to self-certify that they may have difficulty communicating with law enforcement stemming from an intellectual or developmental disability.

Author: E. Garcia (D)

State Plan Goal: Education

Summary: Funding to provide increased support for Family Empowerment Centers (or FEC's) to help families of children and young adults with disabilities, between the ages of 3 and 22, navigate the special education system.

Author: Kalra (D)

State Plan Goal: Education & Public Safety

Summary: Increases protections for pupils from criminalization for school-related misbehavior that is best addressed by school site personnel and appropriate supportive services.

Author: Ramos (D)

State Plan Goal: Health & Safety

Summary: Allows the statewide implementation of the phone line 988 Suicide Lifeline designated by the federal government to ensure local responses to crises and providing crisis response services across our state.

Author: Kalra (D)

State Plan Goal: Health & Safety

Summary: Improves enforcement for skilled nursing facilities to ensure that nursing homes who report deaths relating to untreated pressure sores, catching on fire while smoking unsupervised, severe untreated dehydration, punctured G-tube, septic shock, and/or choking to death are held accountable.

Author: Kalra (D)

State Plan Goal: Health & Safety

Summary: Creates CalCare for all residents, regardless of citizenship status. CalCare guarantees quality health care and long-term care with low cost to individuals.

Author: Frazier (D)

State Plan Goal: Health & Safety

Summary: Creates a new certificate program through the CA Community College system that would train and educate professionals who provide care to individuals with developmental disabilities.

Author: Kamlager (D)

State Plan Goal: Health & Safety

Summary: Establishes the Community Response Initiative to Strengthen Emergency Systems (CRISES) Act pilot program, which will increase community-based alternatives to police responding to 911 calls.

Author: Dodd (D)

State Plan Goal: Health & Safety

Summary: Expands the Emergency Services Act to include in public safety power shutoff events.

Author: Villapudua (D)

State Plan Goal: Education & Employment

Summary: Establishes the Apprenticeship Grant Program for CA Community Colleges and encourages students participate, by way of supplemental funding, career tech education and vocational education programs.

Author: Garcia (D)

State Plan Goal: Employment

Summary: Improves the Limited Examination and Appointment Program (LEAP) by ensuring individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities have more job opportunities in civil service.

Discussion?

Call For Vote:

Recommended Action:

Approve LPPC's recommendations to approve a support position on the list of bills presented.